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1. EMBASSY WILL CERTAINLY SEEK EARLY OCCASION CARRY OUT INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL.

2. MEANWHILE, DEPT WILL BE INTERESTED KNOW LE SOLEIL OF APRIL 1 FEATURES IMPORTANT STORY UNDER HEAD AMERICAN AID FOR VICTIMS OF DROUGHT, AND PICTURE AMBASSADOR COULIBARY WITH OTHER SAHEL COUNTRY AMBASSADORS ACCEPTING \$5,000 CHECK FROM STEPHAN ACKEY, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF LISAMBER, A GROUP OF YOUNG BLACK AMERICANS FROM SEATTLE.

3. STORY SAYS LAST WEEK COULIBARY INVITED MAKE TELEVISION APPEARANCE AT PENTAGON ON PROGRAM OVERSEAS MISSION FOR 155 RADIO AND 22 TV STATIONS, ON SUBJECT DROUGHT AND NEED FOR SUPPORT FOR ITS VICTIMS. LAST SUMMER HE HAD GONE TO CHICAGO FOR SAME PURPOSE.

4. STORY THEN MENTIONS SAHEL BALL OF 30 NOVEMBER UNDER PATRONAGE MRS NIXON AND RECEIPT OF CHECK FOR \$8,000 ON THIS ACCOUNT. THERE WAS ALSO \$1,100 COLLECTED BY AMB AND MRS COULBARY AT DINNER

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SEVERAL MONTHS AGO IN RICHMOND ORGANIZED BY DELVER CLUB,

A GROUP OF BLACK AMERICAN LADIES, AND FINALLY \$12,000
FROM REV JESSE JACKSONS' PUSH IN CHICAGO.

5. STORY CONCLUDES THAT THIS SOLIDARITY OF AMERICAN
PEOPLE HAPPILY ACCOMPANIES PUBLIC ASSISTANCE BROUGHT
BY USG AND AID. THERE WILL BE MORE IN FUTURE FROM
OTHER AMERICAN STATES.
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